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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING VIRTUAL WORLD CUSTOMIZED FOR For:

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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: BOX AF

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 5, 2004. A one-month extension of time is filed herewith, thereby extending the period for response to Sunday, September 5, 2004. Monday, September 6, 2004 was a Federal Holiday.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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